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CLOSURE CERTIFICATION ACKNOWLEDGMENT - DEPARTMENT OF NAVY,
NAVAL BASE VENTURA COUNTY (FORMERLY NAVAL CONSTRUCTION
BATTALION CENTER), CLOSURE CERTIFICATION REPORTS FOR BUILDING 5258,
BUILDING 1340, AND SITE 17, PORT HUENEME, EPA I.D. NUMBER
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Dear Mr. Dow:

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC), received your certification and the professional engineer's certification, in your submittal dated June 26, 2001, which reported that the hazardous waste storage Building 5258, Building 1340 and Site 17 at Naval Base Ventura County (NBVC), formerly Naval Construction Battalion Center (NCBC), Port Hueneme, were closed in accordance with the approved closure plan dated October 28, 1996.

In addition, DTSC has received additional information for the closure certification dated April 10, 2002, which provided additional data for the revised Closure Certification Report dated June 2001 for the hazardous waste storage areas listed above.

This letter is to inform you that DTSC now considers the above referenced hazardous waste storage areas as being officially closed on April 10, 2002.

This acknowledgment is based on the assumption that the information submitted in the initial Closure Certification and revised Closure Certification, as well as any other information provided to DTSC, and used as a basis for this decision is true and accurate. Any inaccuracies found in such information may be grounds for subsequent nullification of this closure certification approval and potential enforcement action. The Owner/Operator must inform DTSC of any deviations from or changes in the information provided which would affect the closure certification for the above-referenced facility.

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NBVC must continue the basewide groundwater Remedial Investigation (RI) as part of the Installation Restoration Program and address all groundwater contamination plumes that also may have impacted the above listed hazardous waste storage areas in the Feasibility Study. These corrective measures are currently conducted under the oversight of the DTSC, Office of Military Facilities. A copy of the final groundwater mitigation report must also be sent to this office, attention Jose Kou, Chief, Southern California Permitting Branch.

Please be advised that this acknowledgment of facility closure is not a certification that your facility does not pose any environmental or public health threat. This letter does not remove any liabilities associated with past hazardous waste management practices which occurred on the site. This closure certification does not limit or preclude any future investigations of any other on-site operations by any agency, nor in resulting corrective action deemed necessary for closure and remediation of any solid waste management units at the facility.

Should you have any questions, please contact Mike Eshaghian of this office at (818) 551-2926.

Sincerely,



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